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In re Appln. of: Yehiel GOTKIS, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/816,444

Filed: March 31, 2004

For: MULTIPLE-CONDITIONING MEMBER
DEVICE FOR CHEMICAL MECHANICAL
PLANARIZATION CONDITIONING

Examiner: Eileen P. Morgan

Art Unit: 3723

Attorney Docket No: 7103-408

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Attached is/are:

- ☒ Transmittal Letter, Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages), PTO 1449 (1 page)
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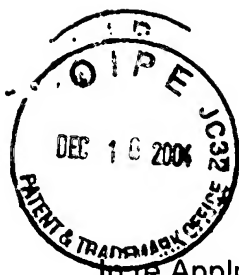
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Respectfully submitted,

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), Applicants hereby cite the following reference(s):

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

DOCUMENT NUMBER <small>Number-Kind Code (if known)</small>	Date of Publication	Patentee/Applicant/Assignee
5,571,044	11/5/1996	Bolandi et al.
5,803,799	9/8/1998	Volodarsky et al.
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Applicants are enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). As each of the listed references is in English, no further commentary is believed to be necessary,

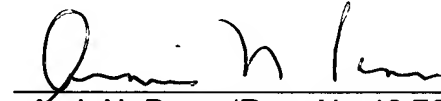
37 C.F.R §1.98(a)(3). Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicants are attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

Applicants have calculated a processing fee in the amount of \$180.00 to be due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) in connection with the filing of this Statement. Applicants have enclosed a check covering this fee, or authorized charging the fee to a deposit account or credit card, as indicated in the Transmittal accompanying this Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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